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In re Application of:

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For: **A METHOD FOR THE PROTECTION OF GERMINATING SEED AND PESTICIDE-  
COATED PELLETS**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

The Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examining on the merits and calculating the filing fee for the national phase application filed herewith, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:


**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 3-5 as per attached with this preliminary amendment. Pursuant to the new rules implementing the AIPA, a clean copy of the amended claims is attached along with a marked-up copy of the claims indicating the proposed claim amendments.

**REMARKS**

The above amendments have been made to remove multiple dependencies from the claims, and no new matter has been added.

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